



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: January 25, 2022

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Chief's Staff

SUBJECT: Annual Police Department Update

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council receive an oral presentation from the Police Chief and Command Staff regarding the Santa Barbara Police Department.

DISCUSSION:

As requested by the Mayor and City Council, Interim Police Chief Bernard Melekian will provide an oral presentation to City Council regarding the status of the Police Department and its operations. The following are some areas that will be covered during this presentation:

- Brief overview of the last 11 months
- Four strategic priorities:
 - Improving quality of life in neighborhoods
 - Transforming the mission of field operations
 - Recruitment and retention
 - Procedural justice & employee wellness
- Discussion of positive accomplishments
- Outlook for the year ahead

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office